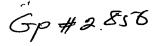
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Sir:

SUBMISSION OF APPOINTMENT OF AGENT

This is a Submission of a PCT Appointment of Agent to be included in the U.S. National Phase case file for the instant U.S. Application S/N 10/018,629. This PCT Appointment of Agent was inadvertently omitted from the submissions made to the PCT authorities during the International Phase. Please note that it is dated effective as of July 13, 2000, the international filing date of the PCT Application providing the instant U.S. National Phase Application. Please consider the instant Application, and in particular the PCT proceedings therefor, in light of this Appointment of Agent.

Applicants believe that no fees are due for this Submission. However, if Applicants are in error as to this opinion, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any required fee or amount to our Deposit Account No. 04-1512.

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Applicants respectfully request examination on the merits of the instant Application in light of the Appointment of Agent submitted herewith.

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